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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Isao SENDO et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3744**

Application Number: **10/615,838**

Examiner: **William E. Tapolcai**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 24, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2006 for 2 months from June 1, 2006 to August 1, 2006.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$450.00 for the cost of the extension. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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